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**High Grade
Tomato
Seeds**

**1904
C R O P**

W. H. BARRETT

ADRIAN, MICH.

"None Better, Few as Good."

**High Grade
TOMATO
SEEDS**



**1904
Crop**

Pure Stock.

Systematic Methods.

Extreme Care.

Personal Attention.

W. H. BARRETT, Adrian, Mich.


Varieties for 1904.

- ✓ **Early Michigan,**
- ✓ **Acme,**
- ✓ **Beauty,**
- ✓ **Stone,**
- ✓ **Perfection,**
- ✓ **Paragon,**
- ✓ **Favorite,**
- ✓ **Royal Red,**
- ✓ **Matchless,**
- ✓ **Selected Trophy.**

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TERMS: 60 days. 2 per cent. discount for cash in 10 days from date of invoice; or settlement may be made by acceptance due June 1st, with interest at 6 per cent. after 60 days.

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Y plans for growing Tomato Seeds this year do not, so far, include any additional varieties, but I hope to increase the number later. Inquiries and orders are being received so early that I am obliged to send out my list before all arrangements can be completed.

My methods of growing Tomato Seeds differ from that of most growers. I cannot accept orders for every variety because I do not do any re-contracting but control all crops myself. I not only furnish all the stock seeds but the most of the plants also, and it is necessary and desirable to confine myself to a few of the most desirable sorts. I can arrange to grow large quantities of these and the buyer can always feel sure of receiving nothing but the very best true and pure stocks.

I send out no seeds other than my own growing and such as I know to be right in every respect.

The most exact and conscientious care, skillful selection and growing have produced a very superior stock for planting. The work has been so well

planned and so systematically done that my strains of the varieties listed are now considered to be as pure and good as any in existence.

According to my method, each variety is managed as a department and by itself.

Each variety is grown in a separate locality.

The ripe Tomatoes of each variety are delivered to a central point for that sort where after careful inspection, all the seeding, curing, cleaning and bagging are done by my own experienced men, who have nothing to do with any sort other than their own.

There is a Superintendent for each department and the men working with him have no more concern about any other sort than if it did not exist.

The small lot of seeds re-contracted to the farmer may be washed in the afternoon with the same tools and by the same men which were employed in the morning on an entirely different

sort. The two sorts may be dried at the same time and side by side.

I will not risk the danger of mixture which this method makes so easy.

My buildings, tools, machines, and drying frames are separate and distinct for each sort.

It can be seen that each process, from the selection and growing of the stock seeds, to the final bagging and shipping of the product, is done according to a carefully arranged system. Mistakes are next to impossible. If one occurs or if there is a doubt even, the lot of seeds affected is immediately destroyed.

I do not pick or save the small or late green Tomatoes. The vitality of seeds taken from such Tomatoes is very poor and when used for planting the result is late and inferior fruit.

The methods outlined have been developed during seventeen years of successful growing of Tomato Seeds.

The basis of all is common business

honesty, without which no business of this kind can be permanently successful.

The result of these methods has been a constant growth, and a widening circle of good friends and satisfied patrons.

I make the lowest price possible, consistent with the fine quality I produce.

I aim to accept growing orders conservatively and do my best to deliver in full.

In case I have a surplus I protect my trade by offering same at an advanced price only.

I am also prepared to grow a limited quantity of **BOSTON MARROW SQUASH** from my own choice strain of stock which has been selected by me personally for seventeen years. The fruits are of good size, deep orange color mottled with cream, the flesh fine grained and thick.

1904 CROP

✂ TOMATOES ✂



✓ **Early Michigan**

Vines large, with large, dark green leaves, vigorous and wonderfully productive, being under high culture one of the heaviest croppers; fruit medium size to large, and, unlike most varieties, grows larger as the season advances, perfectly smooth, solid, but without any core; deep, rich red color, and of excellent flavor. Its first fruits are very early, but the vines continue to bear for a long time.



✓ **Acme** Vine hardy and productive. Fruit in clusters of four or five, round, smooth and of good size; flesh solid and of excellent flavor. There is no better variety for market gardeners who want an early purple fruited sort.



✓ **Beauty** Vines large, vigorous and heavy bearers; fruit large, uniform in size, very smooth, and excellent flavor; color purplish pink.




✓ **Stone** Vines vigorous and productive; fruit large, smooth, deep red in color and very heavy. The best all round variety where earliness is not important.




✓ **Perfection** A smooth, blood red tomato. Ripens with Acme and a week or ten days earlier than the Stone. A desirable sort for gardeners who require a red tomato.


✓ **Paragon** Livingston says: "Many gardeners, canners, and catsup makers will have no other. It is a large variety, larger than several of the standard kinds cultivated. An immense cropper. Flesh solid, well colored and flavored. Ripens between the early and late varieties, grows vigorous and no variety holds its size better late in the season. Color of skin glossy deep red."




✓ **Favorite** This is a very popular variety. Fruit dark red color, smooth, flesh firm and fine flavor. A very heavy cropper.




✓ **Royal Red** Vines stronger and more vigorous than the Favorite. Fruit large and bright red.



✓ **Matchless** The color is rich, cardinal red. The skin is so tough that it is a splendid keeper and shipper, and is less liable to crack in wet weather than any other large tomato. Unsurpassed for market or for table. The plant is a strong grower, and is very productive, bearing with undiminished vigor until frost. The fruit is free from core, and the seed spaces are comparatively small.



✓ **Selected Trophy** Vine large, vigorous and productive. Fruit deep, rich red, solid, smooth and fine flavored.



In asking for prices for growing please give an estimate of your probable needs of the different sorts.

W. H. BARRETT,
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